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SUBJ: FY 77 ALLOCATION

1. CU/EA HAS NOW RECEIVED ITS FINAL FY '77 BUDGET. WHILE OUR TOTAL ALLOCATION IS SLIGHTLY LARGER THAN CU/EA'S FY-76 FIGURES, IT IS NOT SUFFICIENT TO COVER ALL MANDATORY AND INFLATIONARY INCREASES. IN ESTABLISHING FINAL POST ALLOCATIONS, INCLUDING CERTAIN REDUCTIONS, CU/EA HAS PLACED PRIMARY EMPHASIS ON RETAINING THE HIGHEST PRIORITY PROGRAMS AT EACH POSTS, WHILE STILL ALLOWING FOR THE INTRODUCTION OF CERTAIN NEW PROJECTS. THE CURRENT SITUATION DRAMATIZES YET AGAIN THE NEED TO CONTINUE THE SEARCH FOR COST-SHARING. THE FIGURES BELOW ARE FOR FY-77, THE TWELVE MONTHS BEGINNING OCT. 1, 1976 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1977. WE ARE PLEASED THAT WE ARE ABLE TO PROVIDE THESE FIGURES PRIOR TO, RATHER THAN HALF WAY THROUGH, THE FISCAL YEAR.

2. THE TOTAL FY 77 ALLOCATION FOR HONG KONG IS DOLS. 61,000 WITH THE FOLLOWING SPECIFIC ALLOCATIONS:

PROGRAM ------- AMOUNT ------- REMARKS

IV PROGRAM ----- DOLS. 13,500 3 FULL GRANTS AND 6 PARTIALS
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OF DOLS. 300 EACH,

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PROGRAM ------- AMOUNT ---------- REMARKS

BAPTIST COLLEGE X DOLS. 4,500 ---------- DOLS. 2,500 SUP-
PLEMENT PLUS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL,
U.C.-CUHK ------ DOLS. 43,000 ---------- DOLS 22,000 FOR
U.S. PROFESSOR, DOLS. 6,000 FOR 3 FOREIGN STUDENTS,
DOLS. 13,500 FOR 3 AMERICAN STUDENTS.

3. ALTHOUGH THE DOLS. 43,000 FOR THE U.C.-CUHK CONTRACT
IS LESS THAN LAST YEARS, IT IS PROBABLY CONSIDERABLY LARGER
THAN WE LED U.C. TO EXPECT IN OUR CONVERSATIONS HERE.
WE HOPE THIS AMOUNT WILL ENCOURAGE THEM TO KEEP THE FULL
CONTINGENT OF 1 PROFESSOR AND 6 STUDENTS FOR AT LEAST
THE NEXT YEAR. WE WILL APPRECIATE ANY EFFORTS YOU CAN
MAKE THERE TO HELP ATTAIN THIS GOAL. SINCE WE HAD TO
SQUEEZE OUR OTHER PROGRAMS TO GET THIS DOLS. 43,000, ANY
REDUCTION FROM THIS CONTINGENT WOULD PROBABLY RESULT IN A
SMALL SHIFT OF FUNDS BACK INTO THE IV PROGRAM.

4. ANY ADJUSTMENTS WHICH THE POST WISHES TO SUGGEST,
WITHIN YOUR OVERALL ALLOCATION FIGURES, SHOULD BE CABLED
TO DEPT. ATTN: CU/EA SOONEST. ROBINSON

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